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NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE IN ENTITY STATUS

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Dear Sir:

Applicant, Arthrex, Inc., no longer qualifies as a small entity.

In accordance with the change to large entity status, the large entity amount (\$1,755.00) for payment of the Issue Fee is submitted herewith.

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